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Pres. Rostow, Walt W.

Hostility Is an Open Secret

The hard feelings between CIA Director Richard M. Helms and President Johnson's adviser on national security affairs, Walt W. Rostow, are becoming more than just an inside secret at the White House, the State Department and the CIA. At a recent dinner party which both men attended, one was openly bitter toward the other, much to the surprise of bystanders.



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One professional point at issue — CIA plays down the effectiveness of U.S. bombing of North Vietnam, a tactic pushed and now defended by Rostow as having great impact on the North Vietnamese will to continue fighting.